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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1. (Amended Once) A method for making a safety sign with EL lighting, comprising: obtaining an EL element that includes a base and an EL portion adhered to the base with power source; applying a pattern layer over the EL portion, the pattern layer comprising safety indicia; and applying a tinting layer over the pattern layer, , <u>further wherein the EL portion is a first color in a non-illuminated condition</u>, and a second color in an illuminated condition, and wherein the tinting layer is tinted so that when the EL portion is non-illuminated the tinting causes the safety sign to produce a first color different than the color of the EL portion in the non-illuminated condition, and so that when the EL portion is illuminated the tinting causes the safety sign to produce a second color different than the first color and different than the color of the EL portion in the illuminated condition.
- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the EL element obtained includes an AC or DC power source.
- 3. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising applying the safety sign to an article of clothing
- 4. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising applying the safety sign to a hat.
- 5. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising applying the safety sign to a snowplow.
- 6. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising applying the safety sign to a vehicle.
- 7. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising applying the safety sign to a recreational vehicle.

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8. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising applying the safety sign to an SUV.

- 9. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising applying the safety sign to an animal collar.
- 10. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising applying a layer that protects the EL lighting from damage.